

South Kentuckian.

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HOPKINSVILLE, DEC. 13, 1881.

Ex-President Jefferson Davis and family have returned from Europe, where they spent the summer. Mr. Davis' health is considerably improved.

The election of a United States Senator was held last Tuesday. In the Senate, Beck received 29 votes and White 8; Holt, Blain, Republican voting for Beck. In the House, Beck received 72 votes; White, 20 and C. W. Cook, Greenbacker, 4.

Volume 1, number 1, of the Greenback Gazette, published by H. B. Woodrow & Co., at Greenup, Ky., is on our table. It is a neatly printed and carefully edited paper and we place it upon our exchange list with pleasure.

Our neighbor of the Republican will please bear in mind that "bourbonism" is not confined to the Democratic party. If he means by the term "bourbon" those who cling to the ideas and principles of a bygone age.

Gen. John B. Simmonson, the oldest regular soldier in the United States, died at the residence of his son-in-law, in New Albany, Ind., Dec. 5th, aged 85 years, six months and three days. He was a soldier in the war of 1812. In the Mexican war and in the late civil war. His long career was one of honor and usefulness.

Primaries were held in the various counties last week to instruct delegates to the Appellate convention Jan. 11. Many counties have not been heard from but the indications are that Gaines is the leading man, closely followed by Jones, Davis and Hewitt. Of course it is impossible to tell what will be the result when the convention meets. Gaines' friends are confident of his ultimate success.

Many of the mass conventions last week were howling mobs. There is no fairness in mass conventions when there is any rivalry. The side that yells loudest and huffs most generally wins. We hope to see the day when the old fashioned primary election will supersede the disgraceful mob convention.

The Democrats of Adairville, says the *Sentinel*, before they left Louisville, Monday night hoisted a large flag which they carried to Adairville on one side of which was printed "Gaines the Seed Tick," and on the other "Gaines the Penny Blue Horse." The flag was cheered as the party passed each house along the road. Logan was almost solid for Gaines.

The postoffice at Nashville, Tennessee, was partially burned on the afternoon of Dec. 5th. All of the work and a large lot of lumber and other property was destroyed. The loss of Cherry, O'Connor & Co., the losses, is estimated at \$250,000; insurance \$30,500. The loss of the State will amount to about \$50,000 with no insurance. The fire was the result of accident. The cellars were not burned. Only six convicts escaped. Most of them worked hard in saving property and did not try to get away. No lives were lost. The worksheds will be rebuilt without delay.

Among the bills introduced in the House last week were the following: Mr. Broadhead—A bill to amend section 225, subdivision five chapter three, of the Civil Code of Practice, entitled "Attorneys."

Same—A bill to provide for the pay of Justices of the Peace in the county of Christian.

Same—A bill to amend section 710, chapter 1, title 16, Civil Code of Practice.

Same—A bill to prohibit the sale of spirituous, vinous, or malt liquors within two miles of Spring Hill Baptist church, in the county of Christian.

We publish in this issue a communication opposing the plan proposed to build turnpikes by a direct tax. Our correspondent is in error in supposing that we are an advocate of the measure. We have given the plan in favor of the proposed plan, and do the same this week, without declaring in favor of it. At present our position is neutral. We want pikes and we are willing to see what will be the best plan proposed. As soon as this matter has been decided, then the South Kentuckian will not be slow in taking its stand. In the meantime our columns are open to both the advocates and opponents of the direct tax proposition.

J. J. Vertrees, an attorney of Nashville, assassinated Senator L. T. Smith, of Tennessee, in the rooms of the Maxwell House, Nashville, Friday afternoon. This trouble grew out of the State debt controversy. Vertrees charged that Smith was bribed to vote for the 100-3 proposition last winter and Smith in turn denounced Vertrees in the Senate. Senator Smith was sitting in the rooms of the Maxwell House when Vertrees, backed by half a dozen friends, entered and walking behind him shot him in the back while he was reading a newspaper. Smith rose and retreated into the barber shop and then drew his pistol and turned back. Vertrees fired two shots at him as he retreated. Smith's wound is dangerous but not necessarily fatal. Vertrees is out on a bond of \$10,000.

Mrs. Annie O. Cook was re-elected State Librarian over three competitors last week, by a big majority.

MORE ABOUT TURNPIKES.

Our two neighbors, the *New Era* and the *Republican* are waging a bitter warfare on the turnpike question. It is not our fight, and for the present we will not engage in the discussion of the subject. The *Kentuckian* has always been, and will always be, in favor of internal improvements both of the city and county. It is agreed upon all hands that turnpikes are needed and badly needed. Now, everybody knows, also, that it takes money to build turnpikes. There are two ways to raise this money, one is by subscription; the other by taxation. If there were capitalists in the county who wanted to invest their money in this way they would have done so long ago. Year after year turnpikes have been discussed in the papers, but nothing has ever been done. Even if these pikes should be built by individual capitalists, the tolls would be oppressive and in the course of years would be a heavy burden upon the people. Then there is the fact that the first way proposed is impracticable, first, because nobody will build the roads and second, because they could be objectionable if built, it follows that the only way the county can ever have pikes is by taxation.

Now there are two kinds of taxation. A bonded indebtedness might be saddled upon the county and make a future generation pay for the pikes, but the interest upon these bonds during thirty years would amount to nearly double the principal. This plan then is not the proper one. There is but one left. Now mind you, we are going upon the supposition that the people want pikes and that they know that they will have to pay for them. We do not declare in favor of the proposition, but merely give a common sense view of the plan proposed, in order that the people may judge for themselves. At the proper time the *Kentuckian* will take a stand where in its opinion, it can best subserve the interest of the people of the town and county. It is proposed to levy a direct tax of 50 cents on the \$100, each year till the pikes are built. It is estimated that it would take about eight years to pike all of the principal roads of the county. By this plan \$25,000 would be raised the first year and the amount would of course increase as the taxable property increased in value. It is stated that the railroad would reduce freight at this point if the pikes are built, and give us the same rates that are given Clarksville. This if done would save the people of Hopkinsville and Christian county \$7,000 a year in other words they would get their pikes free and make \$25,000 a year besides. This proposition will undoubtedly be made by the authorities of the L. & N. road. Further, it is safe to estimate that the taxable property and population of Hopkinsville would be doubled in the next decade, if these pikes should be built. The value of land along the pikes would be enhanced and the beauty of it all would be that the pikes would be free for all time. They could be kept in repair without additional taxation and in two years after they were built the people would have forgotten the trifling tax and would be prosperous and happy with good roads forever. This appears to us to be the plan of all plans to get turnpikes. We have not declared for it though and if we can see a better one we will advocate it. We are just waiting to see what other plans will be proposed.

A word or two to our friend of the *New Era* and we are done. The editor acknowledges that he fought the railroad tax and yet he lived to see it passed and also to see the population of Hopkinsville doubled in the next ten years, while the bonds are now being gradually paid off. Does he not see the folly of this course now? He says he opposed the public schools. Nevertheless they were established and to day they are the pride of our city and people are constantly moving into the city to get the benefit of our superior educational facilities. We do not believe there would be fifty votes against the proposition if it were voted on to-day. Does he not see that he was wrong in his senseless opposition to this progressive movement? And now in regard to "that meeting" which caused the *New Era* to be violently attacked with the rabies in alluding to it last week the *New Era* says:

The *Kentuckian* states that there were 20 gentlemen present at the meeting, 14 of whom were Democrats. We state upon the best authority that there were not more than four or five present, and a majority of them Republicans, when the committee was appointed.

We emphatically reiterate the statement and can give the names of twelve or fourteen Democrats and seven Republicans who were present and expressed themselves in the meeting. We once more tell the *New Era* that it has been misstated and that we are willing to reduce the matter to a question of personal veracity with the editor of the *New Era*, or his informant.

In the *Gazette* last week, the prosecution introduced a large number of witnesses who testified as to their belief of the identity of the prisoner for the last thirty years. The prisoner still interrupts the witnesses constantly. The end of the testimony is approaching and it is to be hoped that the speedy conviction of the assassin will follow.

The Legislature has dropped into the transaction of dull routine business and nothing of interest will probably be taken up till after Christmas.

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NONSENSE.

Matrimony is often a mis-take. A man in Louisville went to sleep on a brick kiln and was killed, by the heat. He was a brick, so to speak.

It is said that the race for the speaker-ship was not the first time that Mr. Owens, of Scott, has held the whip-lash.

The widows are moving upon the White House in a house asking for offices and still the ungallant widower President refuses to hear personal applications.

Ex-President Jefferson Davis' visit to Louisville last week caused more talk than the presence in the city of both Dittoe and himself, last September.

Joe. D. White nominated himself for United States Senator, but Dr. O'Sullivan has outdone Johnny by nominating, electing and installing himself as State critic of the *Kentuckian* Press.

The People's mind Institute, at Frankfort has 132 inmates.—*Louisville Post*. You are mistaken; including both Houses there are 138.

Maybe the reason some editors are so much opposed to the whipping post law, is because, like Wilkins Micawber, they don't know what may "turn up" in the course of time.

The Emancipation Constitutionalist had the same pun on Capt. Sam Gaines' name in three places last week. The pun was so entirely new and original that we could not help admiring the genius of the perpetrator.

The Courier says an Evansville man has composed a song entitled "An hour the ship weighs anchor." It is now being sung in the city. It will be out about Christmas.

An old Greek was found on an emigrant ship recently trying to get passage to America.—*Boston Globe*. He was omega looking chap when they landed him from the hold.—*Providence Post*. But speedily received when a New York barkeeper delatation of Kentucky whisky to him.—*Boston Herald*.

There is not one lot of wit in your alleged puns and you fellows run it when you perpetrated them. All such nonsense should be knocked into it.

The *New Era* is still trying to array class against class by making the statement again that the turnpike meeting, recently held, was a "secret caucus" of "Republicans." If the meeting had been secret, the emissaries of the *New Era* could not have gained admittance. The truth is the doors were open and those who wanted to, had only to walk in. As to the other statement, the *New Era* to prove it. Fourteen prominent Democrats were present and expressed themselves, while but seven Republicans were at the meeting. The editor of the *New Era* cannot establish the truth of his charges if he can let him do it.

Things are not at all harmonious in the Virginia Legislature. The Republicans don't want to keep their agreement with the Republicans and give them the Senator and hence the trouble. The Republicans on the other hand insist that the contract be carried out to the letter. The President has been consulted but refuses to take any part in the controversy. The result will probably be that the Democrats and defeat Riddleberger, Mahone's man. Gen. Wickham a straight out Republican will probably be elected.

The President has no hopes posted up in the halls and waiting rooms of the White House sitting he will receive no personal applications but that those who want offices must apply through the proper departments.

In choosing seats in the House, Farwell, of Illinois, got Garfield's seat.

Gen. Kilpatrick, minister to Chili last fall. He married a Chilian woman a few years since.

The Legislature will go to Atlanta, in a body next Saturday.

There are eighty families of Weithingtons living in Casey county.

The *Louisville Post* says there is talk of another paper at Henderson.

Louis Ruler killed J. P. Merrett at Louisville and was held for manslaughter.

A new county is wanted in the Ninth district to be called "Blackburn."

The new colored public school building has just been completed at Henderson.

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White turkeys, imported direct from Holland, are being introduced into Union county, says the *Cadizville Courier*.

The Paducah Enterprise hopes that if Guiten is not long for killing Garfield, he will at least be fined for carrying concealed weapons.

The pupils of the Deaf and Dumb Institute at Danville will give a public entertainment at Lancaster to-night to raise spending money for Christmas.

An attempt to burn the court house at Glasgow was made last week. The fire was discovered and put out before it made much headway.

A mulatto woman named Mat. Peak, called "Big Bonanza" was shot and killed by Bill Whitley, a white man, at a negro hotel near Lebanon, Wicetley escaped.

A salt was recently decided in Union county, that was instituted on the 15, of March 1811. The Judge, court officers and all the members of the bar living at that time are now dead.

Jonah Wyatt, ed., a notorious corn-brier was shot and killed while stealing corn in Boone Fulton's corn field in Henderson county, says the *Reporter*.

Louis Cammies was killed by Noah Goodpaster near Falmouth, Goodpaster was drunk, and Cammies was trying to persuade him to put up his pistol.

Wm. Casey fell dead at Covington. Hugh McGee died to sleep on top of a brick kiln in Louisville and was burned to death. The fire had been started while he was asleep. He died in a short while.

GENERAL NEWS.

One of Galatin, Tenn's, new aldermen is a negro.

Two boys were drowned while skating at Chicago.

The Louisiana Legislature is holding a special session.

Ingth. Haylen, minister, was hung at Montreal, Friday.

Alex. Farmer dropped dead at Knoxville, Tenn.

Geo. B. Miller a brickman, was killed by the cars at Piqua, O.

Maj. Wm. Arthur, of the U. S. Army, is the President's only brother.

Wm. McGeehe was killed by the overturning of an engine, at Atlanta.

Dr. S. C. McFarvack was assassinated by a negro, at Smythside, Ark.

Marcellus McKenize was beaten to death by Jno. Turner, near Chillicothe, O.

The official vote for Governor of Wisconsin, gives Rusk, (Rep) 11,350 plurality.

In a family difficulty at Warren, O. M. D. Phelps shot his son Winthrop through the heart.

Harmon Caldwell killed Leonard Miller with a knife, near Irwinton, Ga., Both colored.

Mr. Kelley, of Pennsylvania, is the oldest member of the Lower House of Congress, in point of service.

Edward Blumenstein, an old man killed his wife in a family quarrel at Buffalo, N. Y.

Jno. W. Forney, the great Philadelphia journalist, died last Friday, age 61 years.

Miss Annie Welsh and Lizzie Ketch, a servant girl, perished in a burning house at Morristown, N. J.

Wm. Stevens shot and killed Jno. Gilead near New Orleans. Stevens was badly shot and cut, himself.

The steamer Jane Miller went down in Georgia Bay, last week with 25 persons on board. All were lost.

R. C. Huntwell killed B. P. Burgess at Carley Island, Fla., because Burgess whipped his, Huntwell's, child.

Onofrio Monzano, a convict under life sentence, fatally stabbed another convict named Williams in Sing Sing prison, N. Y.

The W. U. Telegraph Co., transmitted the President's Message from Washington to New York in 58 minutes.

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EXCHANGE SCINTILLATIONS

Poo was a lagoon mad poet—
[Grue.]

Sky-parlor lodgers are subject to
roommates.—[Grue.]

The opening of a new hotel is an
innovation.—[Hartford Herald.]

Men have many fortes, but women
unanimously freeze to the piano-forte.
—[Grue.]

Before marriage a girl's sweetheart
is her treasure; after marriage he is
her treasurer.—[Breckenridge News.]

"Due unto others as you would
have them do unto you," is the
way many people read the Golden
Rule.—[Breckenridge News.]

Some men achieve greatness, some
are born great, and some are born in
"Central Kentucky."—[Bowling
Green Democrat.]

Peter Bore, of Chicago, has been
arrested for shooting at a policeman.
It would have been better for Peter
had he never been Bore.—[This and
That.]

"The right time to kiss" is the
caption of an article now going the
rounds of the press. Kissing, like
death, claims all seasons as its own—
when the old man is away.—[Tobacco
Leaf.]

Worming is suffering from a lack
of women. There are lots of hus-
bands who are willing to assist. Why
not in this hour of her great need.
—[Constitutionalist.]

The round back style is growing
out of style, and now fashionable
young ladies are lying on their backs
on the floor of night trying to grow
a right again.—[Ex.]

All ugly girls wear big hats when
they go to the theater, so that people
can't see anything of their faces with-
out getting in front and looking back.
—[Louisville Argus.]

The Henderson Reporter wants us
to enlighten it upon the training of
girls. That is water too deep for us.
Girls and empty pistols are things we
never fool with.—[Breckenridge
News.]

Reckon this reason some girls lace
so tight is because they like to be
squeezed, and not having any fellow
to squeeze them, correct squeezing is
better than no squeeze at all.—[State
Journal.]

Poets are born not made. Born
poets may frequently be unmolested.
For instance, it takes all the poetry out
of a man to be stopped on the street by
his washerwoman and asked for her
last week's wages.—[Hartford Herald.]

To the political vision of the En-
terprise the wiggles in the political
waters of today are the young men.
They are determined to make the
old guard take care of itself. The Ken-
tucky Legislature proves it.—[En-
terprise.]

There is quite a number of enter-
prising gentlemen in almost every
community, who could be induced, by
the large reward offered, to go for the
James boys, if it were not for fear
they might possibly catch Jesse.—
[Glasgow Times.]

The Western Kentucky Press As-
sociation will meet in Frankfort, Jan.
12th. Say, boys, Allison Holland
has an annual address that was ripe
last June. Couldn't you get him to
deliver it before it all dries up.—
[State Journal.]

A business man the other day in
Louisville, telephoned to his coal
dealer, saying: "See here, the next
time you send me a load of slate,
don't put so much coal in it, as I got
my hands dirty handling it this
morning."—[Constitutionalist.]

Republicanism in Clay county is
white, in Jessamine county Brown,
in Floyd county Scarlett, in Monroe
county field, in Elliott county Black,
in Bell county Green and in Fulton
county Gray. When they all meet in
state convention it is a regular rain-
bow affair.—[Breckenridge News.]

The favorite wig of John Wilkes
Booth, the assassin of President Lin-
coln, it is said, was made of the hair
of his sweetheart, a Miss Baker, of
Richmond, Va. She died of typhoid
fever, but her head was shorn before
death, and her lover had the beauti-
ful light brown hair woven into a
wig.—[Louisville Ar.]

Young man, remember, that you
owe it to yourself and your parents
to gain an honorable position in society.
Therefore be very careful what you do
and where you go. Ant, above all,
pause before entering a saloon and see
if you have enough money to pay for
your drinks. Never stand off the bar-
keeper.—[State Journal.]

Now, This is the Way.

The editor of an Italian newspaper,
having given offense to one of his fel-
low citizens and political antagonists,
lately received a letter from him con-
taining the following provocative terms:
"Sir, I cannot send my seconds to
such a scoundrel as yourself. Here-
by, therefore, I unite you. That is the
sole object of this letter. I can
vow to you, on my behalf, a sound
slap on either cheek. He that
thinks for my moderation, which has
spared you a postal consignment of
heavy thwacks with my favorite walking
stick! I remain, &c."

This epistolary assault appeared in
the next morning's issue of the vic-
tim's journal, as well as the following
repartee in pen and ink: "Unmistakable ad-
versary—In compliance with your request,
I hasten to thank you for having sent
me only a couple of edicts instead of a
severe thrashing. You have struck
me in writing. Similarly, I hereby
discharge all the six barrels of my re-
volver at your head, and kill you by
letter. As soon as you shall have
perused this note, you may consider
yourself a dead man. I salute your
corpse with the highest consideration.
Yours, &c."

The salutarian, says an exchange,
at Yale this year is a German, the
valletto, a Hebrew, and the prio-
r, a Chinese. But when it comes to
concerns of real classical culture, our
native land is there. The pitcher of the
Yale base ball Club is an American.

STATE NEWS.

Clas. Sutton was found dead at
Tyrone, Ky.

D. M. Bowman has bought the
Vandalia News.

There are 70 miles of telephone
lines in Henry county.

Gov. Blackburn has been a Mason
for 45 years.

The State grange meets in Bar-
town the 13th inst.

A Clark county man claims to
have killed a yellow crow.

Robt. E. Lee, is the name of a
Princeton horse-thief.

The H. E. thinks Russellville's
great need is hitching posts.

C. E. Merrill will represent the
Courier-Journal at Frankfort during
the session of the Legislature.

Postmaster General James has abo-
lished the river mail between Louis-
ville and Cincinnati.

The Western Convention of Good
Templars met at Madisonville a few
days since.

The Times wants a tax voted to
build public school buildings at Mad-
isonville.

The Democrats of Fleming county,
have nominated their county ticket,
election next August.

Some of the newspapers continue
to violate the law by issuing adver-
tising supplements.

Chas. Newell, col. of Indiana has
been adjudged insane and brought to
the asylum here.

Capt. C. T. Allen, editor of the
Princeton Banner, will be a candidate
for Congress from the First District.

The publication day of the Glas-
gow Times will be changed from
Thursday to Wednesday.

Rev. Geo. O. Barnes, Pink Cut-
tage has been sold to Jas. M. Way
of Illinois for \$2,600, the amount of
the mortgage.

The Columbia Spectator says, Rev.
Geo. O. Barnes has closed his meet-
ing at Somerset with 553 conversions
for the soul and 414 anointed for bod-
ily healing.

The Lebanon Standard and Times
has adopted the cash system and will
adhere to it in the future, thus show-
ing its good sense. It is better to
have 100 cash subscribers than 1,000
who never pay.

The Herald says a postal card is
in the Russellville post office address-
ed to Jesse James. It consists of a
lot of hieroglyphics with the signature
"Frank" and is supposed to be from
his brother.

Wm. Smith sentenced to be hanged
in Monroe county, Feb. 17, for
murder, escaped from the jail at
Hopkinsville along with several
other prisoners on the night of Nov. 23.
He is still at large and it is feared
that he is gone for good.

Annoyance Avoided.

Gray hairs are honorable, but their
premature appearance is annoying.
Parker's Hair Balsam prevents the
an annoyance by promptly restoring the
youthful color.

Lying Witnesses.

The hundreds of hearty, and health-
ful looking men, women and child-
ren, that have been rescued from beds
of pain, sickness and well nigh death
by Parker's Ginger Tonic are the
best evidence in the world of its
sustaining merit and worth. You will
find such in almost every community.

Kissing the Wrong Man.

A very laughable occurrence was
witnessed at the Union Depot last
night. When the train from the
South stopped a lady alighted, and
seeing a gentleman standing by, whom
she supposed to be her husband, she
ran to him and threw her arms around
his neck and showered kisses upon him.
This gentleman made no objections,
but when she ceased caressing a
gentleman standing near by remarked,
"Well, Laura, haven't you made a
mistake?" Laura turned toward him
in astonishment, and flying into his
arms buried her blushing face on his
shoulder, saying, "Lord bless me,
Steve, I thought it was you. Why
didn't you speak?"—[Terre Haute Ex-
press.]

Rules for Finding Amount of Interest.

Of any sum for any number of days
at various annual percentages. The
answer is in cents.

Four per cent.—Multiply the prin-
cipal by the number of days. It is to
run; separate right-hand figure from
product and divide by nine.

Five per cent.—Multiply by num-
ber of days and divide by 72.

Six per cent.—Multiply by the num-
ber of days, separate right-hand figure
and divide by 6.

Eight per cent.—Multiply by num-
ber of days, and divide by 45.

Nine per cent.—Multiply by num-
ber of days, separate right-hand figure
and divide by 3.

Twelve per cent.—Multiply by num-
ber of days, separate right-hand
figure and divide by 2.

Fifteen per cent.—Multiply by num-
ber of days and divide by 24.

Eighteen per cent.—Multiply num-
ber of days, separate the right-hand
figure and divide by 2.

Twenty per cent.—Multiply num-
ber of days and divide by 18.

Cotton Seed Oil Butter.

We had the pleasure yesterday of
meeting Dr. R. R. Roberts, of New
Orleans, who showed the reporter a
sample of cotton seed oil butter, which
he is endeavoring to find a market for
in this State. The Doctor says that
a gallon of oil makes seven pounds of
butter. He manufactures two qual-
ities, one for table and another for
general household purposes. It can be
sold at 15 and 20 cents per pound by
wholesale. Dr. Roberts claims that
the butter exceeds ordinary butter found
in stores, because that it is purer,
while it contains the same elements
pure butter does, without the milk
to make it rancid and unpalatable.
—San Antonio Express.

Governor David Meriwether.

One of the most remarkable men
in this Commonwealth is Governor
David Meriwether, who is now serv-
ing his sixteenth session in the Ken-
tucky Legislature, having been Speak-
er of the House in 1859-60. He suc-
ceeded Henry Clay in the United
States Senate and was Governor of
New Mexico under President Pierce's
administration, both of which posi-
tions he filled with distinguished abil-
ity. He has crossed the Plains six
times, ridden thousands of miles on
railroads, steamboats, stages, etc.,
and never happened to an accident.

He has witnessed the inauguration
of every Democratic Governor of
Kentucky since 1831, and the inaugu-
ration of every Democratic President
except Buchanan, and will be 82 years
of age next October. Governor Meri-
wether is a most remarkably preserved
old gentleman, and is today as full of
life and energy as most men of the
age of 60. He has a solid gold and
beautifully carved snuff box present-
ed to him by the Democracy of Ken-
tucky, bearing the following inscrip-
tion: "Presented to Governor David
Meriwether by the Democracy of
Kentucky as a testimonial of their ap-
preciation of his merits." The Ken-
tucky Legislature in 1859 also, as
an evidence of their appreciation, pre-
sented him with a \$100 gold head-
ed cane, the only like complement ever
paid a Speaker of the House of Rep-
resentatives.

Gov. Meriwether is a most accom-
plished and popular old gentleman
who has resided in Jefferson
county, Ky., on the Ohio river,
eight miles from the city of Louisville
for the last twenty-five years and
from his present robust health, he will
probably live many years to come and
all who know him devoutly hope that
such may be the case.—[Palmer En-
terprise.]

PETERSON'S MAGAZINE for January
is the most superb number ever issued
of that popular lady's work. There
are two steel engravings, "Happy As
A Queen," and "Playing At Doctor,"
also later one of the most amusing of
its kind we have almost ever seen.
Besides these, there is a double-size,
steel, Paris fashion plate, elegantly
colored, a pictured in itself, and also
a very beautiful colored pattern for
working in creel: a "Sun Flower"
design, an embellishment alone as ex-
pensive as the finest chromo. In all,
there are about fifty engravings in the
number, counting the wood engrav-
ings. The stories are all original and
by such writers as Mrs. Ann S. Ste-
vens, Mrs. R. Harding Davis, Frank
Lee Benedict, "Joseph Allen's Wife,"
Jane G. Austin, etc., etc., a galaxy
that no other lady's book can show.
Specimens of the magazine sent gratis
to persons wishing to get up clubs.
Everybody ought to take "Peterson's"
for 1882. Address Chas. J. Peterson,
306 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Funny Man.

A grave-looking stranger walked in
this morning, and having found the
"funny man" he said:
Are you the clown for this circus?
The funny man said he was that.
Well, haven't you been giving your
jokes a dose of Smith's Blood Restora-
tor?

"Restorator" what do you mean by
that?

Why, I'm Smith, and Smith's
Blood Restorator is warranted to thor-
oughly eradicate every kind of humor
and restore the entire system to a
healthy condition, and from the tone
of your jokes I had concluded that
you had been using—

But he never finished, for the funny
man was on top of him, and this after-
noon all the restorators in the State
would restore Mr. Smith's system to
a healthy condition.—[Stenboville
Herald.]

I served on the House Committee on
Ways and Means for six years. I
saw all the great monopolies and pro-
tected interests of the country strug-
gling there to perpetuate their privi-
leges. I have seen the ablest lawyers
argue their cases for pay day by day
—some for salt, some for iron, some
for blankets, some for cotton, and for
everything that is protected. But I
never saw one human being come here
yet to argue for a reduction of
taxation in the interest of the prod-
ucers of this country.—[Senator Beck,
of Kentucky.]

Loss of memory, universal lassitude
pain in the back, premature old age
promptly cured with Brown's Iron
Bitters. It restores lost functions and
strengthens the weakened parts.

A clergyman in Scotland preached
from the text: "Excommunicate thou
shalt all the like of him." The wife
of a farmer who was present went
home and told her husband that the
text was, "If you don't pay rent you
shall leave the parish."

An exchange remarks that no woman
can bear pain as well as a man.
This is not so. Where's the man
who can stand having his waist
squeezed so he can hardly breathe
for three hours of an evening and not
murmur?

A Colorado item: "Arizona Jack,"
one of the type of dime novel heroes,
that are entirely too common, at-
tempted to "run the town" and is now
running a small lot in the cemetery.

A week in your own town, \$5
in your own pocket. Capital not re-
quired. We will furnish you with
everything. Name everything you want
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